

CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF LODI  
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
AUGUST 1, 1962

A regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Lodi was held beginning at 8:00 p.m. of Wednesday, August 1, 1962. Councilmen Brown, Culbertson, Dow, Ullmann and Katzakian (Mayor) present. None absent.

Also present: City Manager Glaves, Administrative Assistant Carlton, City Attorney Mullen and Planning Director Rodgers.

MINUTES: The minutes of July 18, 1962, were approved as written and mailed on the motion of Councilman Brown, Ullmann second.

PLANNING COMMISSION

FINAL MAP LAWRENCE RANCH #2	The final map of Lawrence Ranch Unit #2 was presented for approval by the Council. After discussion it was moved by Councilman Dow, Culbertson second, to approve the subdivision map as submitted subject to the dedication of easements, the submission of an up-to-date title report and the approval of the City Engineer. The motion carried.
FINAL MAP GLENHURST PLACE #2	The final map of Glenhurst Place Unit #2 was presented for approval by the City Council. A five acre parcel that was included in the tentative map will remain unplatted for future development. to the south. Street access to this parcel is provided. Councilman Culbertson moved, Brown second, to approve the map as submitted subject to the rejection of the offer of street paving acceptance, the submission of an up-to-date title report, and the approval of the City Engineer. The motion carried.
CARPENTERS' REZONING R-4 to C-2	The Planning Commission recommended approval of a proposal for a change from R-4 Multiple-Family Residential zoning to the C-2 General Commercial zone for property located at 208 and 210 East Elm Street. On the motion of Councilman Brown, Dow second, the proposed rezoning was set for public hearing on August 15, 1962.

COMMUNICATIONS

AMERICAN LEGION INSTALLATION	A letter was received inviting the members of the City Council to the installation of officers of the American Legion, Lodi Post No. 22, which will be held Thursday evening, August 16, 1962, at 8 p.m. at the Legion Memorial Building.
FOLSOM CANAL AUBURN DAM APPROVAL	Telegrams were received from Congressman John J. McFall and Senator Thomas H. Kuchel indicating that the Senate Interior Committee had accepted the recommendation of its Irrigation and Reclamation Subcommittee and approved the \$267 million Folsom South Canal-Auburn Dam authorization. Full Senate action is expected soon.
S. SACRAMENTO ST. PARKING	A petition was received signed by eight Lodi residents in business in the Sacramento Street area requesting that no action be taken in the changing

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of the parking from parallel to diagonal on the west side of the 00 block of South Sacramento Street. Mayor Katzakian explained the background of the situation and his action in holding up the change to diagonal parking pending further consideration by the City Council. He indicated that it was his opinion that action should be postponed until the study of all the diagonal parking in the downtown area is completed. Councilman Culbertson obtained the estimate that such a study would take about two months to complete. He stated that he favored the return to diagonal parking and moving the white line in the middle of the street  $5\frac{1}{2}$  feet to the east to provide for a safer traffic flow.

Councilman Dow indicated that parallel parking on all of Sacramento Street will eventually be required when traffic on the street gets too heavy. He stated his opposition to having one block of the street with all parallel parking. He cited the fact that a majority of the Council had already approved the change back to diagonal parking. Councilman Dow, Culbertson second, moved to reaffirm the previous action changing the parking on the west side of the 00 block of South Sacramento Street back to parallel and also moving the white line  $5\frac{1}{2}$  feet to the east.

After objections from Councilman Brown and Ullmann to the combined motion, Councilman Dow, with concurrence of his second, withdrew the portion of his motion referring to moving the white line. The motion to reinstall diagonal parking on the west side of the 00 block of South Sacramento Street carried by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmen - BROWN, CULBERTSON, DOW  
and ULLMANN

NOES: Councilmen - KATZAKIAN

Councilman Culbertson then discussed the advantages of reconsidering the previous decision not to move the white "centerline" in Sacramento Street  $5\frac{1}{2}$  feet to the east between Turner Road and Lodi Avenue. He reiterated the facts that it would have a desirable effect on traffic flow; the reasonable cost; that it had been recommended by the City Engineer and the City Manager; and he urged the Council to try it and see.

Mayor Katzakian restated his objections to the change as a matter of principle in which a partial solution is not substituted for a more drastic but complete answer to the problem. He fears that moving the white line will only delay the eventual solution--that of eliminating all diagonal parking on Sacramento Street. Councilman Brown opined that the effect of moving the line would only be for the diagonal parkers to back out further.

Councilman Culbertson moved, Dow second, that the white line on Sacramento Street, from Turner Road to Lodi Avenue be moved  $5\frac{1}{2}$  feet easterly. The motion failed by the following vote:

AYES: Councilmen - CULBERTSON and DOW

NOES: Councilmen - BROWN, KATZAKIAN and ULLMANN

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ECONOMIC  
DEVELOPMENT  
AGENCY

A communication from the San Joaquin Chamber of Commerce expressed their unanimous opposition to the creation of a San Joaquin Economic Development Agency. They felt it would be a duplication of efforts now in effect by the local chambers of commerce and that for the purpose of a unified development effort, the now existing San Joaquin County Chamber of Commerce could be adapted through structural reorganization to accomplish the same purpose at a lesser cost to the taxpayers of the county and without creation of another governmental tax supported agency.

INTERIM  
COMMITTEE ON  
TRANSPORTATION

In reference to State Senator Short's letter regarding the Interim Committee on Transportation's hearing to be held in September on the early construction of 99 Highway as a freeway between Stockton and Lodi, it was agreed that Mayor Katzakian would testify on the City Council's behalf.

DR. VOGEL'S  
ANNEXATION  
REQUEST

City Manager Graves indicated that he had received a letter from a Doctor Phillip Vogel requesting an advisory opinion on the possibility of annexing an 100 acre parcel east of the Freeway Bypass for residential development. Mr. Graves discussed the problems of street access and storm drainage. The sanitary sewage problem appeared to be the most serious in that a new \$250,000 trunkline might be needed east and south of the City limits to adequately serve this property. At present, sewage from east of the Freeway Bypass is taken across the City starting from a small line in Delores Street. This line is of limited capacity. Marshall Dunlap, 141 W. McKenzie Avenue, Stockton, a consulting engineer for Dr. Vogel spoke as to the feasibility of this annexation and the potential for development of this property in conjunction with the 99 Freeway. He stated that they were sincere and anxious to annex to the City of Lodi. He indicated that if annexation were not feasible they would try to develop in the County. After further discussion Councilman Culbertson moved, Ullmann second, to table the matter until after the Capital Outlay Program study had been concluded. The motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS OF THE CITY MANAGER

CLAIMS

Claims amounting to \$174,350.70 were approved on the motion of Councilman Brown, Ullmann second.

LOCKEFORD  
STREET BID

RES. NO. 2553  
ADOPTED

One bid was received for the West Lockeford Street widening project which was from the Claude C. Wood Company for a total contract cost of \$28,964.00. This bid was substantially below the Engineer's estimate for the project. Councilman Culbertson moved the adoption of Resolution No. 2553 awarding the West Lockeford Street widening between Pleasant and California Streets, to the Claude C. Wood Company for \$28,964. The motion was seconded by Councilman Brown and carried unanimously.

N. LINCOLN  
STORM DRAIN  
PROPOSAL

City Manager Graves reported on a new proposal for resolving the easement problems for the storm drainage pumping station located north of Lincoln Street and the Mackie Tract. It was proposed to

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construct a circular brick wall around the pump pit with a gate at the rear for access. A written agreement from the property owner, Harold Kundert, for the new storm drain easement and the other required easements has been received in exchange for the brick screening, the underground power to the pump pit and the sum of \$1,730. City Attorney Mullen indicated that since we were presently slightly outside our old easement with our pump pit, the legal costs of settling the matter in court would be this much and we still might not win the right to use the easement. It was estimated that the cost of the improvements to be installed by the City of Lodi would be approximately \$1,900. Mr. Kundert will be required to pay the standard acreage charges for developing the property. Councilman Dow moved, Brown second, to accept the agreement as proposed. The motion carried.

OFFICE  
REMODELING

The City Manager presented plans and cost estimates for remodeling the old Employment Office at the Corporation Yard for use by the Recreation Department and for remodeling the old Recreation Department office for use as the Planning Department office. He explained the \$3,200 estimated cost for the Recreation Department move item by item. The Planning Office move is estimated to cost \$250. Councilman Brown moved to approve the expenditure for these changes from the contingency fund. The motion was seconded by Councilman Dow and carried unanimously.

SON RAY PARK  
STREETS  
ACCEPTANCE

RES. NO. 2554  
ADOPTED

The streets in Son Ray Park subdivision have been compacted, oiled, and a cash bond has been placed with the City to cover the cost of final surfacing. Curbs, gutters, sidewalks, and street lights have been installed. The streets in the subdivision that are acceptable are Cardinal Street, Ham Lane and Park Street. Councilman Dow introduced Resolution No. 2554, Brown second, to accept these streets in the Son Ray Park subdivision. The resolution carried.

GAS TAX  
RESOLUTION

RES. NO. 2555  
ADOPTED

Mayor Katsakian, as the Central Valley Division's League of California Cities Director, brought up the League bulletin report on secondary street financing. It urged that City Councils support a bill in the 1963 session of the California Legislature to raise the gas tax one cent to be distributed throughout the state between the cities and counties on the basis of population for use in improving secondary streets. The SCR62 studies revealed that cities spend a great deal of general fund monies to maintain and improve their secondary streets. The 1962 legislation to finance some of these improvements from increased gas taxes or motor vehicle in lieu taxes failed to pass because of a lack of support from the cities and counties. This year State Senator Randolph Collier will not introduce a gas tax increase bill unless he has assurance of support in advance. Resolution No. 2555 supporting a one-cent increase in the gasoline tax was introduced by Councilman Ullmann, seconded by Councilman Dow and adopted by a unanimous vote.

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CAPITAL OUTLAY  
PROGRAM

City Manager Graves presented a proposed Capital Outlay Program for 1962-63. The program reflects a new accounting approach in that all projects that have prior approval or aren't complete are rebudgeted. This avoids the double budget of previous years but still allows for separation of carryover appropriations and new money requirements. Each project in the budget was explained. Many were identified as parts of the various systems master plans. Where possible, necessary lines from the different systems will be put in at the same time to avoid cutting the street twice. The Sanitary Sewage system projects amount to \$66,930 of which \$10,430 is carryover of approved projects and \$56,500 is for new projects. The Storm Drainage program totals \$57,575 of which \$19,400 is from 1961-62 and \$38,175 is new in 1962-63. The Freeway ditch south of Kettleman Lane is not included in the budget even though funds had been approved for it in 1961-62 because it will serve no purpose until financing is available for the base line ditch. The capital improvements for Lodi's water system planned for 1962-63 total \$136,486 of which \$8,391 is for previously authorized projects and \$128,095 is for new projects. Included in this latter amount is \$33,500 for a new well (No. 12) to alleviate supply and pressure problems in the water system. The difficulties caused by a suspected cave in well No. 11 were described. City Manager Graves reviewed the actions taken to improve the water pressure situation at the Stokley-Van Camp Cannery. In response to questions from Councilman Dow the Council was given assurance that if the water pressure problem was not temporarily remedied by Wednesday, August 8, the Utilities Department would initiate emergency corrective action. The Street Budget for 1962-63 amounts to \$50,100 of which \$12,400 is from prior budgets and \$37,700 is for new work. This budget is supplemented by \$103,000 of major street gas tax projects. Of this, \$48,000 is for the West Lockeford Street widening for which a contract was just awarded. The balance of \$55,000 is for a new project on East Lockeford Street between Cherokee Lane and Cluff Avenue that will improve that street in connection with the completion of a Freeway Bypass overcrossing. Other substandard major streets were considered but eliminated due to various rights of way or engineering problems that would delay their construction beyond 1962-63. The Parks Capital Outlay Budget for 1962-63 is only \$3,600 for an automatic sprinkler system for Blakely Park. Much more could be done if funds were available but this project is a labor saving investment that is desirable at this time. Councilman Culbertson expressed the opinion that the trees at the American Legion Park should be planted as soon as as possible.

City Manager Graves then discussed the storm drainage problems that were developing in various parts of the City due to the unsolved question of the terminal disposal of storm drainage. The consulting firm of Blair and Westphal of Fresno have been contacted and are looking into an alternate proposal to solve Lodi's Storm Drainage problem that will include dry wells. Mr. Graves explained the work Blair and Westphal are doing in Fresno.

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He indicated that it involves ponding and dry wells but that they depended on pumping into irrigation canals for the ultimate disposal of the bulk of the water.

HOUSTON LANE  
STORM DRAIN

Plans and specifications were presented for the Houston Lane storm drainage project. Also presented were the specifications for the 2900 feet of various diameter pipe required for the job. The City Manager explained that an attempt was being made to install this storm drainage line before the Freeway Bypass fence contractor completes his work. Right of way difficulties have developed on a 200 foot section of the 2900' job. It is planned to resolve the problem or cut this piece out of the job. Councilman Brown moved that the plans and specifications for the Houston Lane storm drain west of the Freeway Bypass between Victor Road and Eden Street be approved and that advertising for bids be authorized. Also included was a separate call for bids on the pipe required for the job. The motion was seconded by Councilman Ullmann and carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The City Council voted to adjourn until 7:00 p.m., Wednesday, August 8, 1962 on the motion of Councilman Culbertson, Brown second.

  
ATTEST: FRANK C. CARLTON  
Deputy City Clerk